

Frank Partridge VC Public School

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Newsletter Issue 9

Term 1 Week 10

1st April, 2014

Welcome to Week 10 of Term 1.

A big thank you to all of the students in 65S and 21E who were wonderful for Mr Constantinou and Mr Moseley last week, while Mrs Smith was away at training and Miss Edwards was on leave. The actions of our students represent who we are and the majority of the kids in these classes have made their school, and I am sure their teacher, very proud. Well done! Mrs Leahy will be away on Thursday and Friday so 65L will have their chance to shine this week.

Pink Stumps Day was a huge success with over \$1000.00 raised for the McGrath Foundation. Thank you to all involved, especially Cass for organising it all. My Legends went down narrowly to the Pink Panthers on the day, but it was a great game of cricket and all of the kids and staff involved had a great time.

Our Stage 1 students entered the real life world of "needs and wants" last week. Mrs Parkins and her team did a wonderful job of organising the trip to the Lucky 7 and Mark Fenech was a great instructor on the day, going out of his way to set up a very special hands on experience for the kids involved. All of the kids were very excited by the experience. Young Gordon Dixon came bursting into my office when he got back to explain to me how he knew the difference between needs and wants and got to show everyone at the shops! This is what quality teaching looks like and to inspire these kids through real life learning is something that our teachers strive to do each and every day. Well done to Mrs Parkins and the Stage 1 teachers, and a special thank you to Mark for his help on the day. Our community has a real and valuable role to play in creating a quality educational environment for our kids and this was certainly evident during this initiative. Well done to all involved!

Our school will be lucky enough to be part of a very exciting initiative next term. A specialist teacher will be appointed to serve both our school and Smithtown in a teacher mentor role. This teacher will work one-on-one with staff in the infants department to ensure that they are being supported in the areas that they most require. It is an exciting opportunity for our staff to self-direct their professional development and in turn provide even higher quality teaching and learning environments for our great kids. We will be sure to keep you posted as this position takes shape.

The Mid North Coast Rugby League Trials were cancelled on Friday due to the weather and will now be played early next term.

I know it is still several weeks off, but it is important that we mark ANZAC Day, 25th April, on our calendar. We will be marching as a school and meeting at 8:00am outside the surf shop in the main street. This is a wonderful opportunity for all students, K-6, to represent their school and acknowledge the sacrifice made by these wonderful men and women. Full school uniform is to be worn. We hope to see lots of our kids marching on this very special day.

Mrs Haase, Cass and myself will be heading over to Coffs Harbour on Wednesday for the NSW Netball Gala Day. We have 2 teams entered and the kids have been training the house down at

Diary

Wed 2nd April

Stage 3
Netball Gala Day
Coffs Harbour

Fri 11th April

Stage 1
Grandparents
Afternoon Tea
1pm

Fri 11th April

Easter Hat Parade
Parents and Carers
Invited
2.30pm

In the Holidays

25th March

ANZAC Day March

All attending to meet
at the surf shop
8am

Gumbaynggirr

Words of the Week

Ngii - Yes

Biiway - No

Thanks to

Lucky 7
Coastal Curves
Embassy Café (Urunga)
Valla Butchery
Valla Tavern
For their donations on
Pink Stump Day

lunch times. Win, lose or draw they have already learnt about commitment, teamwork and working to a goal. These games are just a bonus at the end of their journey. I am looking forward to a great day! As you know we are a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) School. This initiative involves helping students to understand the importance and definition of positive behaviours. Our PBL revolves around 4 key principles: Care, Safe, Respect and Responsible. These initiatives need to have "everyone using a common voice". Our staff are well on the way to achieving this goal as I regularly hear them talking with our kids about good choices, why they are good and who they can turn to when they need help deciding on which choice to make. This is definitely something that our parents and carers can use as well. Whilst all actions have a consequence and we continue to deliver consequences for poor choices at school, as I am sure you do at home, this consequence is only a small piece of the behaviour development puzzle. To achieve changes in behaviour, kids need to know what the poor choice was, why it is a poor choice, what a better choice would have been, why this choice is better and who is there to help them to make better choices.

Welcome back Gail and Colleen! We missed you. I hope everyone has a great week.
Todd.

School Basketball

The school now has a boys' basketball team and we have been fortunate enough to train on the full size court at the high school 2-3 times a week. The boys are a very committed and enthusiastic group, who are working well together! There has been significant improvement in their skills development and understanding of the game since the beginning of the year. We will be participating in a schools knockout competition with the first game in Term 2 Week 4 against Nambucca Primary!

Gillian Baker / Robyn Beauchamp



P&C

Donations of Easter eggs are still being accepted! Please send goodies to the office! The more donations we get, the more prizes to be won! Thanks to those who have already donated.

WOOLWORTHS DREAMWORKS CARDS TRADING DAY

Next Tuesday during recess there will be the opportunity to trade your cards. So bring along your folders and any spare cards to Mrs Haase's classroom for trading.

NETBALL GALA DAY

Good luck to the 2 senior netball teams competing in the NSW Netball Gala Day in Coffs Harbour tomorrow. Each team is playing 7 games.

Five questions with...

Prefect Sophia Fidirikkos

What do you want to be when you grow up?

A teacher

Favourite thing to do at school?

Play netball

Favourite food: **Spaghetti Bolognaise**

Most memorable moment at school:

Being chosen to be a prefect

Describe yourself in 3 words: **Funny, small, unique**



Prefect Chloe Martin

What do you want to be when you grow up?

An athlete

Favourite thing to do at school:

Play netball

Favourite food: **Lasagne**

Most memorable moment at school:

Becoming prefect

Describe yourself in 3 words: **Sporty, funny, caring**

Caught Being Good

Jade Crawley 6/5S, Keira Donovan 2/1E-Helping @ My Library, Richard Carey 2/1C-Putting extra equipment away without being asked, Keira Donovan 2/1E-Helping @ My Library,

Katejah Stadham 6/5M-Helping others.

Library-Alyra Lipman-Poynter, SU2-Shariah Ridgeway, KC-Miranda Mackney, KD-McKenzie Winner-Coggan, Makayla Davis, 2/1C- 2/1E-Gordon Rumble Dixon, Nicholas Stone, 2/1H-Noah Babula, Angela Brown, 4/3M-Zane Jones, Josh Munro, 4/3W-Makayla Donovan, Chloe Cameron, 6/5L-Edmund Hurley, Mike Buchanan, 6/5M-Travis Hayden, Shaylee Farnsworth, 6/5S-Suzannah Greenup-Gray, William Jury.

Class of the Week - 6/5M

Congratulations

Spotlight on.....
Stage 1 Excursion to
Lucky 7
for their unit on
'Needs & Wants'



COMMUNITY NEWS

Vacation Care

Vacation Care, a not-for-profit organisation, will be running in the holidays out of Frank Partridge VC Public School as well as the Adventist School in Macksville.

Please note the centre will be closed on Friday 18th (Good Friday), Monday 21st (Easter Monday) and Friday 25th April (ANZAC Day).

A full holiday program can be picked from the office at FPVC PS.

Valla Beach Community Markets

Saturday 5th April

Local foods, arts, crafts & community groups.

Live music from 10.30am.

Face painting, jumping castle.

For more details check out the website.

www.vallabeachmarkets.org.au

CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS *Normal menu available every day*

Name: _____ Class: _____

WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD WITH COS LETTUCE, CHICKEN, BACON, EGG & PARMESAN CHEESE

PRICE \$6.50

Name: _____ Class: _____

THURSDAY 3RD APRIL

CHILLI CHICKEN BURGER WITH CHEESE, TOMATO, LETTUCE, MAYO & SWEET CHILLI SAUCE

PRICE \$4.00

Name: _____ Class: _____

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL

PARTY DAY

HOT DOG (FRANKFURT WITH SAUCE ON A LONG ROLL)

PRICE \$3.50

*** MIXED LOLLIES WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BUY**

Name: _____ Class: _____

MONDAY 7TH APRIL

6 CHICKEN NUGGETS + TOMATO OR BBQ SAUCE

+ NIPPY FLAVOURED MILK (CHOC/STRAWBERRY)

PRICE \$5.50

Valley Rural and Pet Supplies and the Paint Place are having their **Grand Moving Celebration!**

this Saturday 5th April from 8am to 12pm.



Frank Partridge VC Public School have been offered the opportunity to sell raffle tickets on the day, with a prize of \$250 worth of paint products. All ticket proceeds will go directly to the school.

We would like to thank Valley Rural Pet Supplies and The Paint Place and Taubmans for supporting our school.

Make your way down to 6146 Pacific Highway Nambucca Heads this Saturday and join in the fun!

(This is a sponsored advertisement)

Aboriginal Holiday Splash Program 14 to 17 April, 2014

The Holiday Splash Program is being offered to Nambucca Shire

Aboriginal children aged 3 to 12 years.

Dates: Monday 14th April to Thursday 17th April

COST: FREE to Aboriginal children aged 3 to 12 years

Venue: YMCA Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre

Times: You will have a 30 minute lesson sometime between 9:00am and 12 noon

Enrolment forms should be returned to:
YMCA Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre

Ph: 65681445 Fax: 65684986

Email: admin.macksville@ymca.org.au

VALLEY RURAL & PET SUPPLIES

GRAND MOVING CELEBRATION

paint place group of stores

Catering Stalls
Bacon & Egg Rolls \$3.50 by the Macksville & District Poultry Club
Drinks Stalls by Rotary Club Nambucca Heads

Best Dressed Dog Competition
WIN 6 Months Supply of Dog Food by DogPro, Dog Collar & Chain by Leader Products 2nd Prize 1 Bag of ProPlan 7.5Kg & Dog Collar and Chain by Leader Products 3rd Prize New Collar and Chain by Leader

Trade stands by Zoetis, Leader Products, and many more, who will be on hand to answer questions on all your horse, cattle and fencing needs

Giveaways
Balloons for kids
Prizes

Date: 5th April, 2014
Times: 8.00 am -12.00 pm
Location: 6146 Pacific Hwy, Nambucca Heads
<http://www.valleyruralsupplies.com.au/celebrate>

GALLAGHER **zoetis** **Dogpro** That's the go!